

DENVER J. SHOOK t/a : NO. 21,890 EQUITY  
FREDERICK MEMORIAL PARK :  
311 South Market Street : IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR  
Frederick, Maryland :  
COMPLAINANT : FREDERICK COUNTY, MARYLAND  
  
vs. :  
  
RUTH E. WELLER, deceased, et al. :  
  
DEFENDANTS :

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PETITION FOR DECREE PRO CONFESSO

TO THE HONORABLE, THE JUDGES OF SAID COURT:

The Petition of Denver J. Shook, by W. Jerome Offutt and E. Newton Steely, Jr., his Solicitors, respectfully shows:

1. That the Bill of Complaint herein was filed in this cause on the 2nd day of February, 1967.
2. That an Order of Publication was published in the Frederick News and Post, newspapers published in Frederick County, Maryland, such Order being published in each Newspaper once a week in each of four (4) successive weeks prior to the 7th day of March , 1968, giving notice to the Defendants of the object and substance of said Bill of Complaint and warning them to be and appear in this Court either in person or by Solicitor on or before the 8th day of April , 1968, to show cause, if any they have, why the relief sought in said Bill of Complaint should not be granted, all of which more particularly appears by reference to the Certificate of Publication to the Order of Publication filed with the Clerk in this cause on the 4th day of April , 1967.
3. That E. Newton Steely, Jr., has made reasonable efforts, in good faith, to ascertain the identity and/or the addresses of the Defendants and to warn them of the pendency of this action, all of which more particularly appears by reference to an Affidavit of the said E. Newton Steely, Jr., attached hereto and prayed to be taken as a part hereof, marked "Exhibit A."
4. That the Defendants have failed to appear either in person or by Solicitor within the time allowed by law and the Plaintiff desires to take testimony to support the allegations of the Bill of Complaint.

TO THE END THEREFORE,

1. That the Bill of Complaint be taken Pro Confesso against said Defendants.

W. JEROME OFFUTT  
ATTORNEY AT LAW  
FREDERICK, MD.